

In the Abstract

Please substitute the following amended Abstract for the Abstract as currently pending (deleted matter is shown by strikethrough and added matter is shown by underlining):

~~What is described is a~~ A method of forming a cut  $[(9)]$  which encloses a partial volume  $[(T)]$  within a transparent material  $[(5)]$ , by generating optical breakthroughs  $[(8)]$  in the material  $[(5)]$  by means of laser radiation  $[(3)]$  focused into the material  $[(5)]$  along an optical axis ~~(A), wherein~~ in which the focal point  $[(7)]$  is three-dimensionally adjusted so as to form the cut  $[(9)]$  by serial arrangement of the optical breakthroughs  $[(8)]$ , wherein the focal point  $[(7)]$  is adjusted along a spatial spiral  $[(22)]$ , which is located in the cut  $[(9)]$  and extends along a main axis  $[(H)]$  that is at substantially right angles to the optical axis  $[(A)]$ .